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## Black enrollment down one-fifth since 1981

By ERIC STOAKES  
Feature Editor

University officials do not know how to deal with black students effectively, according to Wali Gill, UNO assistant professor of education.

"White universities have a difficult time developing programs to effectively attract minority students," Gill said. "You have to do more than sit on some committee and talk about it — you have to be willing to get out there and talk to potential students, not only those of college age, but young children."

Gill authored the education section of "The State of Black Omaha: 1989." The report was prepared by the Urban League of Nebraska in conjunction with UNO's Center for Applied Urban Research.

The report assesses the conditions facing Omaha blacks and focuses on three issues: Education, employment and economic development.

Gill's section reported the number of blacks attending UNO declined from 785 (6 percent of total enrollment) in 1981 to 615 (4.8 percent) in 1988.

"There has been a decline for several reasons," Gill said. "First, there are less grants

and less financial assistance for minority race students. One can get loans, but one cannot get assistantships and scholarships; of course, the Reagan Administration has something to do with that."

UNO Chancellor Del Weber said many blacks are in a precarious financial situation before they come to college.

"Even with the money from the government, they may still not be able to afford to go to school," Weber said.

Gill cited two other reasons for the enrollment decline:

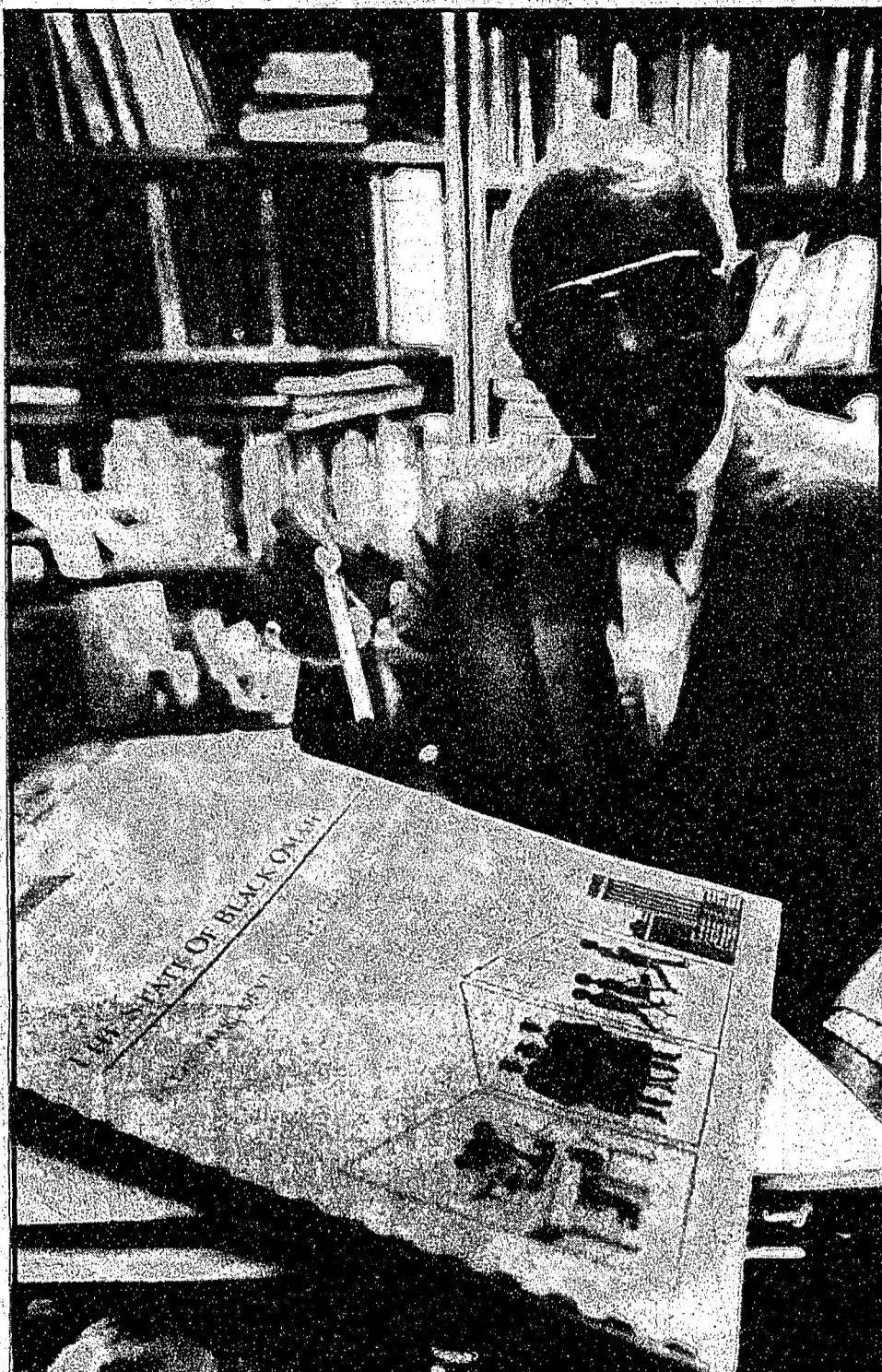
- Black women are starting their families earlier.
- Black men are not in the position to attend college.

"In terms of society, they (black men) are dropping out of high school and dying at an earlier age, usually in criminally associated deaths," Gill said.

Black males are being pushed out of high school, Gill said. "They're encouraged by suspensions, encouraged by family disunities or encouraged by criminal activity."

According to a Gallup Report, Gill said drugs represent the number one problem

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— Dave Weaver

Assistant Professor Wali Gill authored the education section of "The State of Black Omaha: 1989."

## Senate allocates funds to Gateway, organizations

By DAVE MANNING  
Senior Reporter

The Student Senate voted to allocate almost \$8,500 to The Gateway and two UNO organizations Thursday, and held off funding for a third organization until the administration ratifies its constitution.

The issue most discussed was a contingency request for the Hispanic Student Organization (HSO), presented by Sen. Teresa Houser, chair of the Budget Committee.

HSO had asked for approximately \$1,800 to send three of its members to the 17th annual conference of the National Association of Chicano Studies in Los Angeles, from

March 29 through April 1.

Houser proposed the amount be increased to almost \$2,900, in order to send five members. She said this would allow the group to more adequately experience the conference.

Ray Remijio, HSO vice president, said the conference will emphasize minority retention in secondary and higher education. This will aid the organization in encouraging Hispanic students to stay in school, he said.

"We're in the first generation of Hispanic students to attend college," Remijio said. As a result of this, he added, his peer group

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## Candidates discuss the university's role, gang violence

By AMY BUCKINGHAM  
Associate Editor

Omaha's seven mayoral candidates participated in "Decision '89," a forum sponsored by the Nebraska chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, last Wednesday.

Mike Boyle, Mayor Walt Calinger, Jim Cleary, Fred Conley, Steve McCollister, P.J. Morgan and Mort Sullivan participated in the event.

"As an organization we were pleased with how everything turned out," said John Majorek, president of the sponsoring organization. Pi Gamma Mu is an international honor

society in the social sciences.

Majorek said the questions were not as pointed as the chapter had anticipated, but there were some issues brought up that were very relevant.

Most of the candidates said UNO should play a larger role in Omaha.

Calinger said he sees UNO as a "vast pool of technical people who are supported by the community," and that he would "look for more ways that expertise could be shared."

Calinger also said he favored housing either on or near the UNO campus.

Boyle said the university should be more involved in economic development in Omaha.

"I feel like I have a moral obligation to stand with the university as a citizen and as a father," he said.

Conley said he wants to look at new ways UNO can help Omaha.

"I think UNO can provide invaluable research and other resources for Omaha," he said. "I would also be willing to sit down with UNO administration and discuss the possibilities UNO has in this community."

Morgan said the Legislature needs to allow UNO to expand.

"The mayor has to provide the leadership to persuade the Legislature to allow doctoral programs for teachers," he said.

McCollister said his policy of leadership is "partnership leadership."

"I think that the problems of this city can be helped by a cooperative effort between government, education and business," he said.

The candidates also discussed the growing problem of



Steve McCollister, right, speaks privately with P.J. Morgan during the mayoral forum held Wednesday night in the Student Center Ballroom.

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# Mailbag

*Columnist over generalizes attitudes*

## Many need to walk inside, reader says

To the editor:

I would like to comment on the article by Deana Vodicka in the March 10 issue of The Gateway (Walkers irk shoppers). Vodicka's amazement that anyone would choose to walk inside on a beautiful day would seem to indicate she is fortunate enough not to know anyone with serious health problems.

Many of the people who walk at shopping malls do so because they need to be in a location where help is available should they become ill. Also, a beautiful day may not be ideal outdoor walking weather for everyone. If the temperature or humidity is too high, heart patients can't walk outside. Pollen and environmental pollutants pose health problems.

Vodicka goes on to say she had never seen walkers dodge shoppers, but that shoppers are often forced to jump out of the way of walkers to avoid a collision.

The author does not appear to have experienced the shopping mall atmosphere two or three hours before the stores open. Most walkers are at the malls at this time, when they can walk at a decent pace without having to put up with crowds. Unfortunately, at this time of the morning, the malls are invaded by the dreaded window-shoppers, the people who wander aimlessly from store window to store window with no regard to the people around them.

Browsing store windows is certainly no crime, but these people hardly constitute the cash-carrying public

Vodicka is defending. When the stores open, walkers (as well as other shoppers) must put up with numerous people who are too self-absorbed to pay attention to the people around them, abruptly stopping in front of someone or cutting in front of someone so a person must stop or

**"Many of the people who walk at shopping malls do so because they need to be in a location where help is available should they become ill."**

quickly jump aside to avoid running into them. Perhaps these are the people who are really causing the problems in the malls — walkers and shoppers who do not have any consideration for the people around them.

True, some walkers are rather forceful as they travel the malls. However, all shoppers are not innocent victims of tyrannical walkers. The attitudes of shoppers and walkers should not be over-generalized.

When analyzing why people have turned to the shopping malls as an exercise haven, it should be remarked that not everyone has a choice as to where they can walk.

Paula Coburn  
UNO student



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## Student offers another opinion on abortion

To the editor:

In reference to Jennifer Wik's March 14 letter in The Gateway, I begin by commending her for her courage to publicly speak her point of view. I agree with her that a woman has the right to decide what goes on inside her body and how to control it, but there is a point where that right ends and when it affects the life of a second party — that party being the unborn child.

The views of the government and of the "Moral Majority" are not to maintain a dominant position of control over one's body, but the compassionate desire to protect the rights of an innocent second party that depends upon the first to maintain its existence.

If one is labeled as "hiding behind the Constitution" on this issue, then people like Susan B. Anthony and Martin Luther King, Jr. are two of the most famous hiders. They too fought diligently for the protection of the rights of women and minorities. These rights include life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. These people (women and minorities) were no threat to society and were unlawfully withheld their rights. With this in mind, to what extent does an unborn child act as a threat to society? Does not the unborn child have the same basic rights as those of grown men and women, of all races and creeds?

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In reference to comparing the same principle of the seat belt and helmet laws to the pro/anti-choice issue, they are two different actions. In the former laws, the issue was the right to enforce a regulatory mandate upon an action that did not affect the rights of a second party. The driver or the motorcyclist alone has the choice of what affects him directly. In the latter, the decision affects what happens to not only the mother, but also the child.

A law protecting the rights of the child would be more on the same basis of a woman being protected from rape, or any person being protected from another's act of violent crime.

We live in a land where majority rules, but minority rights are protected. When the minority is being subdued, then we can only call ourselves hypocrites when we speak of freedom and justice.

Brian Swanigan  
UNO Student

## Minorities 'not satisfied'

To the editor:

I have been hearing that the situation for minorities at UNO is changing for the better, and although there are aspects that are quite good and people who care, I am not satisfied!

For instance, there is an excellent new summer minority scholarship program for high school students; however, it is approximately 15-20 years late in its implementation. In addition, when there are no assurances that the program will be expanded, I cannot be satisfied!

**When the reported number of minority students (a total from six groups) for the fall semester is only 1,012, with a student population of almost 15,000, I cannot be satisfied!**

Even though admission counselors visit all the metro Omaha area high schools, when minority students from only one high school are brought to campus for active recruitment, I cannot be satisfied!

When the reported number of minority students (a total from six groups) for the fall semester is only 1,012, with a student population of almost 15,000, I cannot be satisfied!

Moreover, when funds are cut from worthwhile student organizations such as the Disabled Student Agency, United Minority Students and the Women's Resource Center, I cannot be satisfied!

Until administration and non-minority students feel that different cultures can be respected, supported and valued, we cannot move forward. When people learn to be supportive of each other, then everyone can be uplifted; until then, I cannot be satisfied! Can You?

Cecilia Seldon  
UNO student

# Access

By RONALD CLARK  
Campus Recreation Coordinator

Having followed The Gateway's coverage over the past two weeks of the proposed \$1 increase in Fund B student fees, there appear to be some misconceptions regarding funding for Campus Recreation. Fund B supports student services such as Campus Recreation, Health Services, intercollegiate athletics, the marching band and the Student Center.

Campus Recreation receives no direct money from tuition or state aid to the university. As stated in the March 7 article, UPFF (University Program and Facilities Fees) will account for approximately 84 percent of Campus Recreation revenue if the \$1 increase is implemented. Approximately 8 percent will be derived from sale of activity cards to faculty, staff, spouses, and their dependents: Medical Center students, faculty, and staff, and UNO alumni.

Another 8 percent would come from fees charged to participants for specific programs, such as outdoor venture trips and swim lessons, with the remaining revenue obtained from equipment rentals and fines. We generate very little revenue from users other than students, faculty, staff and their spouses — this is by design.

As our name implies, Campus Recreation's primary purpose is to provide recreational opportunities for the university community. As a result, our ability is limited to raise revenue other than from current users of the HPER facilities and other Campus Recreation programs.

Unlike the Student Center, we do not have the "luxury" of raising prices for goods, and unlike intercollegiate athletics, we cannot attract donors or corporate sponsors.

Philosophically, we have taken the position of protecting the users of the HPER Building and Campus Recreation programs by restricting the availability of recreational areas to outside interest groups. If we were to "open the building up" to others in the Omaha community, the availability of recreational areas to the campus community would be dramatically affected.

The claim that we "... didn't make any extra cuts. (We) just thought (we'd) slap it on the students" is incorrect. The actual numbers do not bear it out. Since 1986-87, the non-personnel portion of the Campus Recreation budget has decreased 14.4 percent — including a 1.4 percent decrease in the proposed budget. The 1987-88 increase of \$1 did not cover the mandated pay increases, and in 1986-87 we did not request an increase, even though pay increases occurred.

If the requested \$1 increase in UPFF is not approved, cuts totalling \$35,465 would have to be made. It should be obvious that this type of cut will necessitate a decrease in both

the quantity and quality of services offered to all users.

The greatest portion of the Campus Recreation budget is personnel. As reported in your March 7 article, approximately 78 percent of the budget goes for personnel expenses. However, of those projected expenses, only 35 percent is directly controlled by Campus Recreation. All but a small portion of that is used to pay the department's student part-time employees.

It is true we have requested funds to be able to increase our beginning student hourly wage from \$3.35 per hour to \$3.75. According to the Student Part-time Employment Office, the average hiring wage for students on-campus last year was \$3.76, with the off-campus average at \$5.31. Be-

cause our present student hourly wages are so low, Campus Recreation has been unable to attract and retain the number of student workers necessary to properly staff the facility.

One student senator stated none of the 30 students she polled about a \$1 increase wanted it. Her response may have been different had she polled the 51 Campus recreation student workers or the estimated 5,000 students who make use of the HPER Building and Campus Recreation programs. The students at UNO fought for many years to convince the Board of Regents and the Legislature that they deserved a quality Campus Recreation program and quality facilities.

It will be truly unfortunate if a \$1 increase in UPFF becomes an emotional issue based upon principle, rather than a factual issue based upon need.

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# New Music

## MOUSETRAP

Local band tries to make audience feel what they're feeling in music

By LISA STANKUS  
Staff Reporter

*Mousetrap: to trick or ensnare by means of feint or stratagem.*

If definitions prompted theory for band names, then Omaha's musical version of "mousetrap" probably would have reconsidered their title.

Musicians Patrick Buchanan, Craig Crawford and Scott Miller, who compose the band Mousetrap, devised what they call a three-piece power trio, claiming individuality of sound and ideals as their appeal to the audiences.

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***Our music is emotion. It's eclectic. We're not like those bands who go for an image. I think we're more radical than that.***

lead guitarist Buchanan said. "I think we're more radical than that."

Mousetrap was formed when three high school comrades got together to play for a school talent show two hours before the scheduled performance.

One year later, the band has a play list of thirty original songs, is a contributing artist on a compilation cassette and has performed for 3 percent of the population of Jansen, Neb. The band still adheres to a self-induced relaxation of music they adopted at that talent show.

"I wanted to strip away the art nouveau shit," Buchanan said. "We don't care about what's popular. I don't take much to heart what other people say. Criticism is tough to take. It's healthy, but I don't think you should pay too much attention to it."

Sitting in a room scattered with remnants of drum pieces and musical paraphernalia, Mousetrap explained their musical substance as something difficult to categorize.

"We're a combination of a lot of different styles. We just throw them in a pot and see what happens," bassist Crawford said.

With musical influences such as the Minutemen, Husker Du, the Police, R.E.M., and the Velvet Underground, Mousetrap's original songs reflect a melding of the variant tastes of the band members themselves.

"It all comes down to the fact that if you can make the audience feel what you're feeling, then you're good," drummer Miller said.

The lyrical content of the original contributions follow a positive format, as Buchanan



nan, the primary song writer of the trio, explained.

"I tell what I think," he said. "It's not real

**Mousetrap is, from left, Patrick Buchanan, Scott Miller and Craig Crawford**

***Omaha could have a stronger music scene, but it has this huge insecurity complex. It does have something to offer, but something has to happen to change its attitude.***

on. Racism, fascism ... we're really pushing it out through our music," Miller said.

How does an alternative band voicing political views fare on the local music market?

"It could be better," Crawford said. "Omaha could have a stronger music scene, but it has this huge insecurity complex. It does have something to offer, but something has to happen to change its attitude. Maybe the opening of an alternative club, or someone to take the chance on offering an alternative music night on a regular basis, but the possibility is definitely there."

Mousetrap is in the process of recording a three-song extended play which will be released this spring on Fat Craig Records.

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# Jourgensen combines best of both worlds

The alternative pop music world of the 1980s seems to be caught up in a war between synthesizer-dominated rock and guitar-dominated rock. A good device to draw a ceasefire and unite these two battling factions might be a clever and sneaky technique of playing the double agent. A band or artist who effectively combined the best of both worlds could emerge as the ultimate victor.

Alternative icons like New Order and The Cure have tried to be double agents, but their attempts have failed. In New Order's latest works, the band relies almost completely on synthesizers and even uses a computer to help them in "composing" their music.

But there is a successful double agent in the alternative pop war.

Alain Jourgensen, co-founder of the band Ministry, lead singer, guitarist, keyboardist and experimentalist extraordinaire, has made a distinct impression on the music industry. As the heart and soul behind Ministry throughout the band's various member line-ups, Jourgensen has co-founded three other band projects within the last year. Two are predominantly guitar and one successfully uses both styles.

Last summer, the Chicago-based Wax Trax! Records released a compilation album of Ministry's older singles. However, no new material had been put out since 1985. But, last fall, Sire Records released the third Ministry studio album, *The Land of Rape and Honey*.

Initially powered by its first release, "Stigmata," the new album desperately chases and attacks the listener. It clamps down and doesn't let go — shrieking its intense chants, messages and warnings in the ear and then spiralling up into the brain and finally nose-diving deep into the heart.

Ministry's new sound is described by many listeners as angry and intense. Some say it resembles Nazi anthems, while others warn it's Satan at his craftiest.

Luckily, last December in Chicago, I had the opportunity to find out for myself what Ministry was really like on stage. My friend and I were forewarned by two marketing and

sales representatives for the record conglomerate WEA (Sire is one of their labels) that some concert goers at recent Ministry shows had left early, afraid of all the skinheads, the spooky stage show and the "evil" music. But we didn't see any skinheads, rather thousands of teenage Robert Smith wannabes, sporting the latest stupid haircuts and trendy nonconformist fashions.

"Stigmata" and other songs on the album like "Flashback" show a personal pain felt by Jourgensen, and he shoves that pain into the listener's brain.

Besides Ministry's new album, Jourgensen collaborated with Minor Threat's lead singer, Ian McKay, last fall to create the band Pailhead.

Pailhead's first release, "Trait," a six-song mini album on Wax Trax! is possibly the best of Jourgensen's three projects. It uses a quick and aggressive guitar assault that competes with a drum beat doing 90 mph, even around sharp curves. The lyrics are mainly philosophical suggestions and reply to the socioeconomic conditions of contemporary western civilization.

Shortly after Pailhead's debut, Jourgensen joined forces with Front 242 to create the band Lead Into Gold. This synthesizer outing, however, needs something more, perhaps some originality or motivation. Lead Into Gold released one 12-inch extended play, self-titled, on the Wax Trax! label. Of the three songs on the release, "Idiot" seems the most danceable, if that matters. The music, again, takes an important precedence over the lyrics, like most of Front 242's and Ministry's songs.

Lastly, Jourgensen teamed up with Jello Biafra to create Lard. Their new extended play, *The Power of Lard* was released on Alternative Tentacles Records. The three-song record rocks weird, but definitely sweet.

Biafra apparently hasn't lost his ability to simultaneously amuse and disgust the listener with current domestic American events. On the title song, Biafra pokes fun at lard, used in this context to represent the unnecessary waste created by Americans spoiled with material excess: *Lard's what we conceal with these corny clothes we wear/ Lard is the -OM/ Lard is the tapeworm in the bottle of cheap tequila that comes alive at night and sneaks up and bites your nipple/ Lard — mold over mind/ Lard — Hooray*.

What next, Mr. Jourgensen? We will be anxiously waiting.

— MATT VAN HOSEN

## Alternative TRACKS

The stage show was more like a soft porn movie that could have been titled: *Candi and Bambi: Two Sleazy Bogus Dykes Clad in Skimpy Skin-Tight Black Leather Undergarments Try to Dry-Hump Shaggy, The Gnarly Singer and Scooby, The Way Cool Drummer, at The Smoky Haunted Jam Pad*.

The concert had no black masses, no incantations, no Linda Blairs spitting up split-green pea soup. It was normal.

Jourgensen lets the sound of the instruments take precedence over the lyrics. With *The Land of Rape and Honey*, Ministry's sound, both the lyrics and the music, changed. Where their songs were once agitated, upbeat tales of how love had gone sour, *The Land of Rape and Honey* showed more concern for hate and revenge.

On "Stigmata," Jourgensen sings: *It's wronger than reason/ It's stronger than right/ The only truth I know/ Is the look in your eyes*. After every statement and between every verse, a deafening roar of guitar and horn together rips through the song.

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## Gill from page 1

"What impacts on white Americans, impacts on black Americans," Gill said. "When white folks have a hard time, African American (black) folks have a worse time."

Gill said capitalism, imperialism and the growth of corporations in American society represent some reasons for the problem.

"Things didn't start yesterday," Gill said. "It started with the exploitation of people. Black males were brought over here for the purpose of capitalistic gain and black women were brought over to perpetuate the work force — that's at the crux of America's problem."

"We can't be responsible for the behaviors of our parents or grandparents or past generations," Gill said. "We can be responsible for future generations."

Weber said the university has yet to develop a program to attract a substantial number of minorities.

"We recognize the problem but we've yet to come up with an effective program," he said.

"I will admit they have at least acknowledged a problem exists, especially the decreasing number of black males," Gill said. "It might help if they didn't see so much through an ethnocentric perspective, both in public and higher education."

Gill said one step in solving the problem would be to bring more equity into the educational process.

"Ralph Waldo Emerson said: 'The key to education is respecting the student,'" Gill said. "I think the same kind of respect needs to be given to all students, regardless of their gender, social background, religion or race."

Democracy is an easy word to say, Gill said, but the democratic process is difficult to actually engage in, given the history of this country.

## Senate from page 1

serves as the only academic role model for many Hispanic youths.

"We're going there as representatives of UNO," Remijio said.

"I think this is very important," Sen. Kelli Sears said. "I don't think we should do anything to hinder minority recruitment" of students to UNO.

Recording Secretary Erica Johnson agreed. "If we reject this, it's like a slap in the face to UMS (United Minority Students)," she said. HSO is an organization within UMS.

The senate voted 11-7 to accept the amendment.

Chief Administrative Officer Greg Clark urged the senate to support the resolution. "If we pass this unanimously, everyone's going to win," he said.

Fourteen senators voted for the resolution, while Sen. John Majorek, who had opposed the amendment for fiscal reasons, voted against it.

The senate also allocated \$5,000 to The Gateway, to help defray the costs of implementing a desktop production system. Half of the amount would be repaid July 1, when The Gateway would receive its Fund A allocation.

"This is going to give the students a lot more control over the paper," Gateway Editor John Rood said.

Sen. Kent Goetz spoke against the loan. "The Gateway is stealing from its future," he said.

"We're not stealing from the future, we're helping to create one," Rood said in an interview. "When I walked into The Gateway three years ago, the paper was being put out with manual typewriters."

"That's not very appealing to recruits. The money from the senate will help to bring us into the modern age," Rood added.

Approximately \$700 of contingency funds were also allocated to the UNO Martial Arts Club, defraying the cost of attending a national tournament in April.

Clark Crinklaw, who represented the club, said the tournament is a learning aid for competitors. "We'd very much

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He said he felt that the forum "allowed the audience to view the candidates, how they speak, and the content of their speeches."

Pi Gamma Mu will sponsor events like this again, Majorek said, because they want the public to be "informed voters."

"The mayor is our ambassador to the state and to the nation," he said. "And Omaha has to have a mayor who is a strong leader, a strong speaker, someone who can sell the finer points of this city."

"We as an organization hope that the people who attended our forum can now make a more informed decision in April."

Gill said the faculty should be more involved in the recruitment process.

"They're the ones that are the key," Gill said. "For those who want to sit back and rest on their logs and timber, so be it."

Weber said the university has brought black high school students onto the campus and some faculty members have been involved in a mentoring type process.

"But in the sense of sending faculty out to high schools, we haven't done that," Weber said.

Gill said recruitment should be an option for faculty members and the invitation should be offered.

"There is such an elitism involved with being a professor," Gill said. "A lot of faculty don't want to get into the recruiting process."

Currently, UNO offers some minority recruitment programs through the Goodrich Program, project LIFT-UP (Let's Intervene For Tomorrow-University Project) and the Interface project, Gill said.

According to "The State of Black Omaha" report, the Goodrich Program graduated 27 students during the 1987-88 school year. Forty-three percent of those students were black.

"The Goodrich Program is one of the most far-reaching programs in the country," Weber said. "There is no university that has a better program than that."

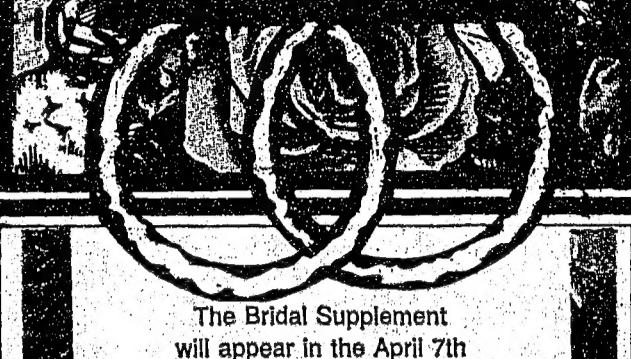
Gill, who worked with the Goodrich Program for six months, said the university should use it as a model for similar minority recruitment programs.

"Other departments need to look at it and develop even more complete programs," Gill said.

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# Sports

## Search for athletic director begins with new process

By DAVID JAHR  
Sports Editor

In the course of hiring an athletic director, Chancellor Del Weber has changed an old saying: "If at first you don't succeed, wait a while, change the process, and then try again."

Since August 1988, the UNO Athletic Department has been looking to replace Bobby Thompson, who left to take a position at Texas-San Antonio.

On Dec. 23, 1988, Weber was to select a replacement from four finalists. Instead, Weber announced an athletic director would not be named and the search would continue "later in the spring."

"In the final analysis, I have to feel that I've got the right person," Weber said about his decision not to hire anyone in December. "And he or she has got to relate to me, because I'm the one they will be working with a lot."

A few weeks ago, Weber re-opened the search, ad-

vertising locally and in the NCAA national newspaper. However, this time Weber decided to make a procedural change in the search process.

After applications are received and reviewed for qualifications, Weber will screen the applicants before the athletic department conducts their screening.

**"By the time we bring in a candidate, everyone will know I have already talked to and approved that person."**

—Del Weber

In the previous search, an interview by Weber was the final step in the procedure after applicants were questioned by screening committees.

"I will screen the applicants first. By the time we bring in a candidate, everyone will know I have already talked to and approved that person," Weber said.

"Then if the committees and coaches approve, the job

will be offered. If not, the job will go to the next person I approve."

Weber said there is no limit to the number of applications he could receive for the position. UNO's athletic director will be in charge of a \$1.4 million budget.

Even though no women applied previously, Weber said both women and men will have the opportunity to apply for the position, which has an approximate yearly salary of \$50,000.

Since Thompson's exit from UNO, Sports Information Director Gary Anderson has been acting as the athletic director on an interim basis.

The department and Weber hope to name a new athletic director by the summer, but a specific date has not been set.

Weber said the person filling the position must have the qualifications on paper plus strong interpersonal skills with students, staff and faculty. The athletic director must also have the ability to organize fundraisers, have administrative skills and want to win with student-athletes.

### Volleyball coaches 'specializing'

## Lady Mavs add assistant

By REG CHAPMAN  
Contributing Writer

UNO's volleyball team is rebuilding and specializing. With the addition of an assistant coach, the Lady Mavs hope to return to the NCAA Final Four.

UNO Coach Karen Uhler said with the addition of Disa Johnson as an assistant, each coach will specialize in an area of volleyball.

"Disa's presence will allow each of us to focus on one aspect of our program," Uhler said. "Her main objective will be the training of the players."

Johnson, a recent graduate from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, is no stranger to volleyball. She was a starting setter for the Fighting Illini, who made it to the NCAA Final Four.

Johnson received All-Big 10 honors all four years of her collegiate career. Her senior year was highlighted when she was selected as an academic All-American. Majoring in kinesiology, Johnson earned a 4.15 GPA on a 5.0 scale. She is currently working on her master's in the UNO College of Business Administration.

Johnson came to UNO to work under the direction of Uhler.

"Karen was a graduate assistant at U of I when I was on the team, and I enjoyed what she had to offer our team," Johnson said. "Karen has very good insight into the game, and she is very intense when it comes to her coaching ability."

Johnson said the four returners will serve

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Disa Johnson is the latest addition to the Lady Mav volleyball coaching staff, which will be "specializing" this year.

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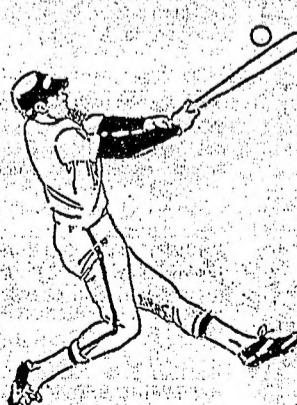
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## Weather forces schedule changes

By DAVID FRYE  
Contributing Writer

The UNO baseball team is 0-6 for the season, even though it has not played one game.

This year's opponent has been the Omaha weather, not other baseball teams.

The 1989 season, which was set to begin on March 7, has yet to start, now 14 days and six scheduled games later.

UNO Coach Bob Gates said he hopes to host the "opener" March 22 against UNL at 2 p.m.

UNO's home games are played at the College World Series Park. Due to inclement conditions, the field has been too wet to play on, according to Gates.

Five of the six games have been rescheduled. The only game to be cancelled was against Tarkio College.

According to Gates, the field is not dry enough because of the frost and freezing rain accumulation. Gates said playing temperatures should at least be higher than 38 degrees.

The rescheduling of early season games due to weather doesn't surprise Gates.

"You never know what you're going to get in March as far as weather," Gates said. "But because the games we had to cancel were during the first fifteen days of March, we do have a better chance of rescheduling."

Until five years ago, games were not scheduled in early March because of the unreliability of Omaha weather.

In fact, the first year UNO scheduled early games, all eight of them were cancelled. However, the next year, all six games scheduled in early March were played.

The Peru State game, the 1989 season opener, has been pushed back to April 18 at 2 p.m. Doane College was to play UNO March 11 but now will play April 5 at 1:30 p.m. The Mavs' game against Wayne State College will be played in Wayne April 24 at 4 p.m. UNO will meet Midland College May 4. All meetings are doubleheaders, except when UNO hosts the Cornhuskers March 22 for one nine inning game.

### UNO updated baseball schedule

UNL	W.	March 22	at 1:30 p.m.
at Kearney	Sa	March 25	at 1:00 p.m.
Southern trip		March 28-31	
Creighton	Tu	April 4	at 2:00 p.m.
Doane	W	April 5	at 1:30 p.m.
Mankato	Sa	April 8	at 2:00 p.m.

Home games are boldfaced and are played at CWS Park, South of I-80 on 83rd Street.

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as the core of the squad.

"Their cohesiveness is essential if the squad plans to be contenders for another final four berth."

Uhler said Johnson will have responsibilities beyond any normal graduate assistant.

"I'm glad that Disa decided to come to UNO," Uhler said. "This is a great opportunity for her, and I feel that with her added expertise to our coaching staff we can't go wrong."

Johnson brings with her hard-working ethics which will prepare the Lady Mavs for next year's schedule, according to Uhler.

"Disa's youth and enthusiasm complements Rose and myself to the point that she adds another aspect to our coaching staff," Uhler said. "We as staff are blending our strengths very well."

Johnson will be instrumental in the or-

ganizing of the volleyball camps the Lady Mavs will be sponsoring this summer, according to Uhler.

Uhler, Rose Shires and Johnson will be joined by players from the University of Illinois and UNO to conduct three summer volleyball camps this summer. The camps will consist of an individual camp the last two weeks in July, a specialty hitters/setters camp from July 20-22 and a team camp from July 24-28.

"It's nice to have the support of your assistant coaches and the athletic director when it comes to events such as the camps," Uhler said.

"UNO is respected as one of the top Division II programs in the nation, and in order to keep that reputation in tact we must provide the best."

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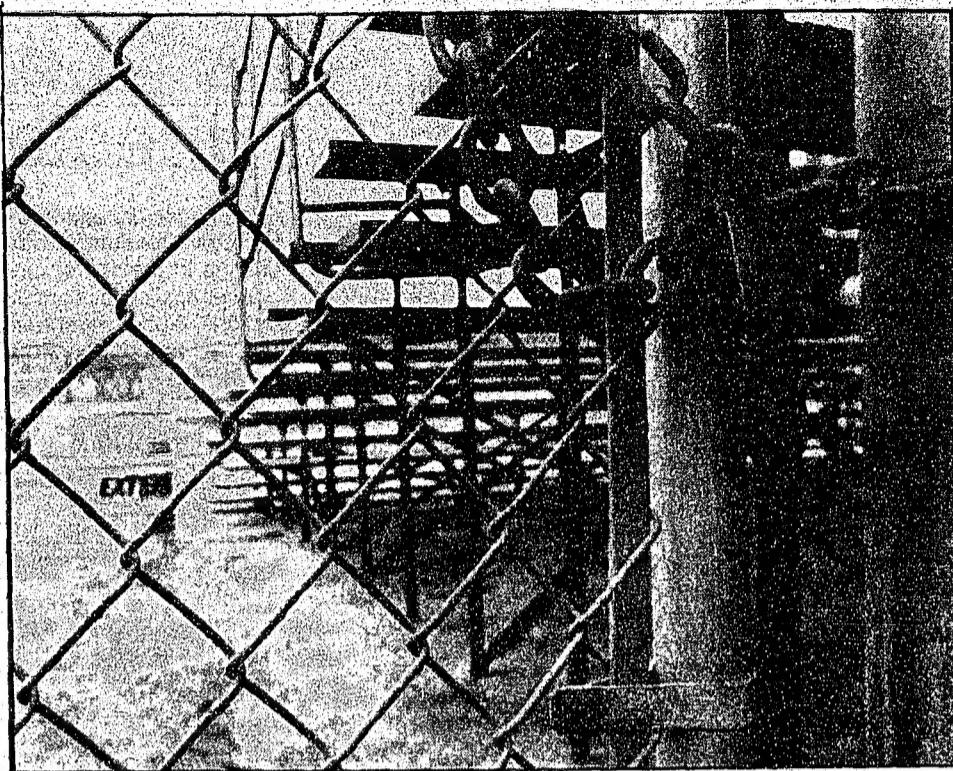
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